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Please Note:

New vendors and subcontractors must supply all required paperwork (Appendix 1, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters) and must register in the [Online Representations and Certifications Application \(ORCA\)](#). In addition, all vendors must also be registered in the CCR, prior to bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

FV-305

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: April 16, 2007

Canned Juice, Announcement FV-305, Invitation 045

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell canned juice as indicated below and per the Announcement for distribution to the needy families and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by **10:00 a.m., Central time, Wednesday, April 18, 2007**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, April 20, 2007. Deliveries are to be made from June 1, 2007 through June 15, 2007.

Offers are invited from the trade for the following Canned Juices:

Product	Container Size	Number of Cases
Apple Juice	46 oz. can	6,664 cases

This invitation is to provide USDA commodities to the victims that were affected by severe agricultural freeze in California. Since there is a great need to deliver the product as soon as possible, delivery timeframes on this invitation will begin immediately. **If you are unable to meet the early delivery periods, do not bid on them.** Inspection issues resulting from the need to deliver product quickly will be handled by Commodity Procurement Branch on a case by case basis. **Please note, it's the vendor's responsibility to have timely deliveries and to deliver good quality and condition of the product.**

No offer will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation.

- Vitamin C fortification is required (except for orange and grapefruit juices), as specified in the Commodity Specifications for Canned Juice, dated April 2004 (FV305-CS1).
- All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.



- All invitations with orders for the state of New York must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring this special marking will be indicated by (**). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an Invitation.
- On "BKLYN/CEN ISLIP NY" destinations, shippers are instructed to call the contact person on the Notice to Deliver first prior to making an appointment, so that they can be directed to which warehouse they will ship the product.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?> Once connected, follow the online procedures. A AHELP@ button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-305, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Canned Juice dated April 2004, CID A-A-20327 (for cranberry/apple juice), or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/ Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-9410, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases will be made on a delivered to destination basis, subject to Announcement FV-305, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Split shipments are indicated by a single asterisk.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV305
 INVITATION : 045
 COMM GROUP : 32 FRUIT JUICE CANNED
 COMM TYPE : 10 APPLE JUICE, CANNED
 PACK SIZE : 46 12/46 OZ CAN

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 06/01/07 - 06/15/07

001	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	6,664	
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TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 6,664

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 6,664



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 Commodity Procurement Branch
 Fruit and Vegetable Programs

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